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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Develop and Adopt Fire-Threat Maps and Fire-Safety Regulations.

Rulemaking 15-05-006
(Filed May 7, 2015)

INTERIM ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING ADOPTING A SCHEDULE FOR THE CREATION AND SUBMITTAL OF SHAPE A

The Joint Parties' Workshop Report for Workshops Held August – September 2016 that was filed on October 7, 2016, contains a proposed work plan for the development and adoption of Fire Map 2 ("Fire Map 2 Work Plan" or "Work Plan"). Among other things, the Work Plan directs San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) and Reax Engineering (Reax) to (1) create the first iteration of Fire Map 2, called Shape A, and (2) submit Shape A to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) for confirmation that Shape A complies with the Revised Scoping Memo Proposal that is described in a ruling issued on September 6, 2016 (Revised Scoping Memo Proposal).

In addition, to accelerate the development of Fire Map 2, the Work Plan proposes that Shape A be created and submitted to CAL FIRE in October - November 2016, before the Commission issues a decision on the Fire Map 2 Work Plan. There is no opposition to this proposal in the comments on the Work Plan that were filed on October 14, 2016.

The Commission is expected to mail a proposed decision on the Fire Map 2 Work Plan later this year. In the interim, and consistent with the Work Plan, this ruling adopts the following schedule for (1) creating Shape A and submitting Shape A to CAL FIRE, and (2) providing notice of the final Shape A approved by CAL FIRE:

Event/Task	Date/Timeframe
SDG&E and Reax create a draft Shape A in accordance with the requirements specified in the Revised Scoping Memo Proposal and summarized in Attachment 1 of the Work Plan. Tree Mortality is independent of Shape A and should not be included in the draft Shape A. ¹	Start Immediately
SDG&E and Reax submit the draft Shape A to CAL FIRE (i.e., submit to Dave Sapsis or other person designated by CAL FIRE).	10 Calendar Days from the Date of this Ruling.
SDG&E and Reax provide a copy of the draft Shape A to any person or entity on the service list for this proceeding who requests a copy.	Through November 18, 2016
SDG&E and Reax revise the draft Shape A in response to feedback from CAL FIRE.	Through November 18, 2016
SDG&E (or its designee) files and serves a document that contains the following: (1) Notice of the final Shape A approved by CAL FIRE, (2) a copy of the approved Shape A in portable document format, and (3) instructions for obtaining a data file for Shape A that is readable by commonly available geographic information systems. ²	By November 18, 2016

¹ See ruling issued on September 6, 2016, at 3 – 4, and the Work Plan at Attachment 1.

² This ruling does not address the recommendation in the Fire Map 2 Work Plan that Shape A should be filed at the Commission via a Tier 1 advice letter. This recommendation, which is opposed by SDG&E (*see* SDG&E comments filed on October 14, 2016 at 3), may be addressed by the Commission in its decision on the Fire Map 2 Work Plan.

This interim ruling is being issued pursuant to instructions from assigned Commissioner Florio.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated October 24, 2016, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TIMOTHY KENNEY

Timothy Kenney
Administrative Law Judge